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History of the Yoncopin

Yoncopin is the local name for the American Lotus (*Nelumbo lutea*), a large water lily that grows exclusively in the areas of the Mississippi River Valley. Though it is not found in this region, legend has it that the flower once boomed in the marshy areas around campus, including the sleepy, silver bayou remembered in the Alma Mater.

Centenary's yearbook adopted the flower's name with its first publication in 1922, following the suggestion of Elizabeth Burgess, a Centenary student. Elizabeth, a staff writer for the school newspaper and Associate Editor of the yearbook, chose the name because she found the Yoncopin flower to be emblematic of the "strength and beauty" she saw in Centenary.

The flower continues to thrive in certain areas of the Mississippi River Valley, and on rare, remarkable occasions, its beauty and strength can still be found in the silver, sleepy bayou just as it was almost ninety years ago with the Yoncopin's first publication.

Alma Mater

Where the sleepy, silver bayou
Gleams among the pines,
Watching o'er the throbbing city
Alma Mater shines.

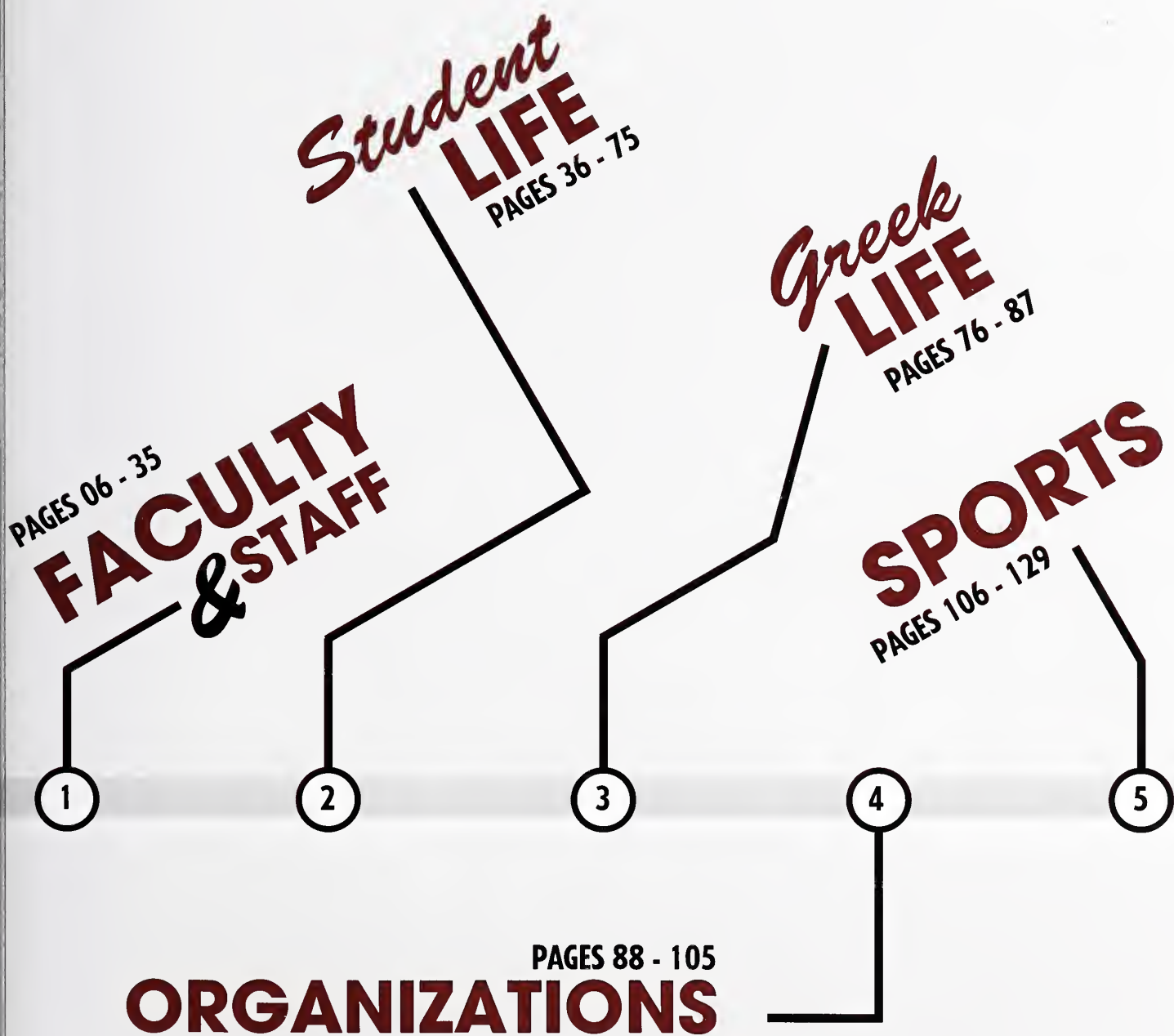
Forward, forward Centenary--
Time and tide may fail,
But our hearts shall love thee ever--
Centenary Hail!

Like a wave the mighty city
Surges 'round thy feet.
Guide it, train it, teach it wisdom
Alma Mater sweet.

Forward, forward Centenary--
Time and tide may fail,
But our hearts shall love thee ever--
Centenary Hail!

Green the boughs that rustle 'round
thee
On thy stately crest:
Greener is our mem'ry of thee--
Alma Mater blest.

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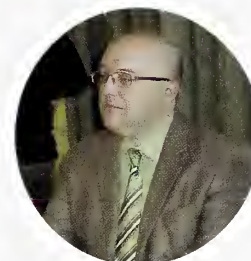
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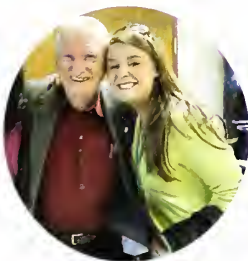
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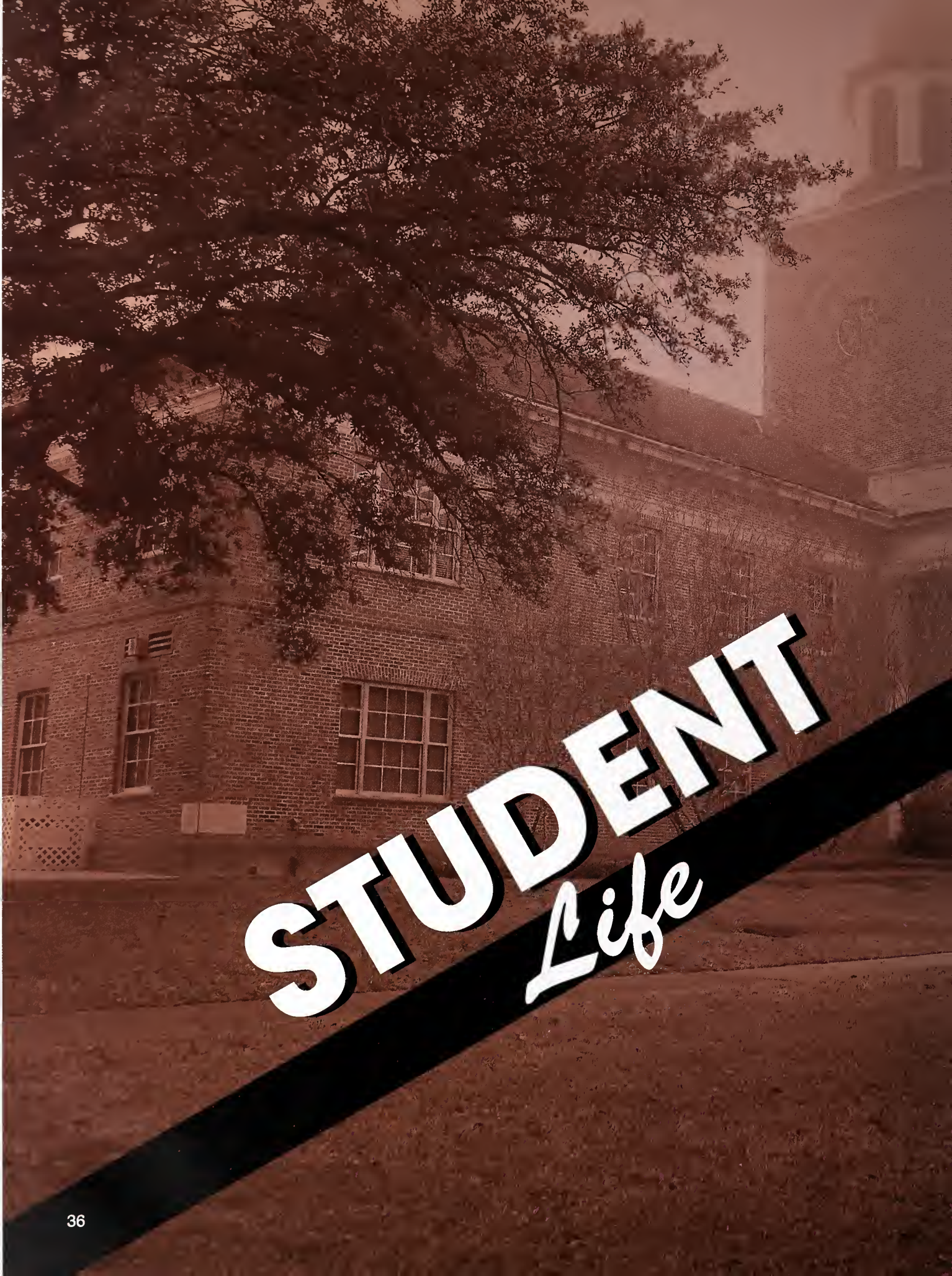
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**A special thanks to all of the faculty and staff
who helped making this another amazing year
at Centenary!**

Thanks!



STUDENT *Life*



MAY MODULES 2012



"As an art major, it was great to finally see a lot of what I learned about in Art History while I was in Greece. It was amazing seeing such influential art in person."

- Charles Madden



International Modules

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Ecuador
France
Germany
Greece
Haiti
India
Nicaragua

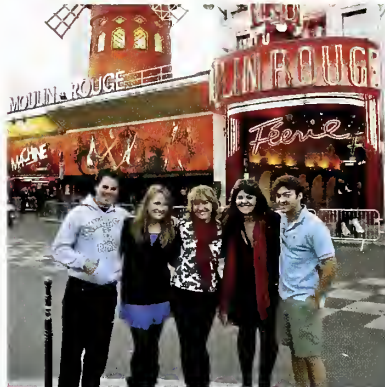


Regional Modules

Four Corners
Mississippi Delta

Local Modules

Chimp Haven





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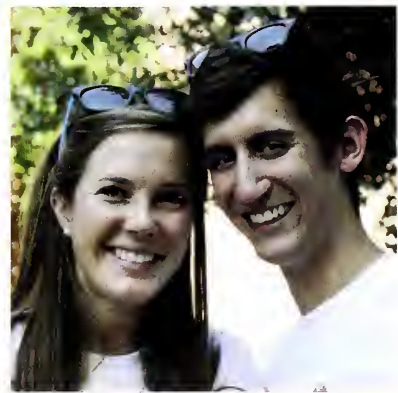
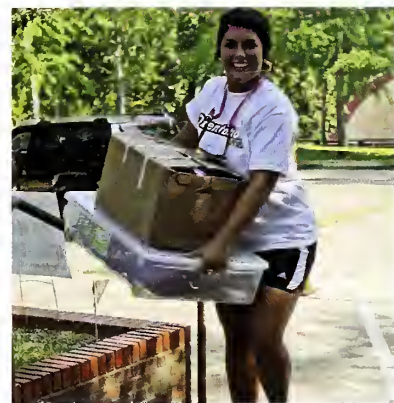
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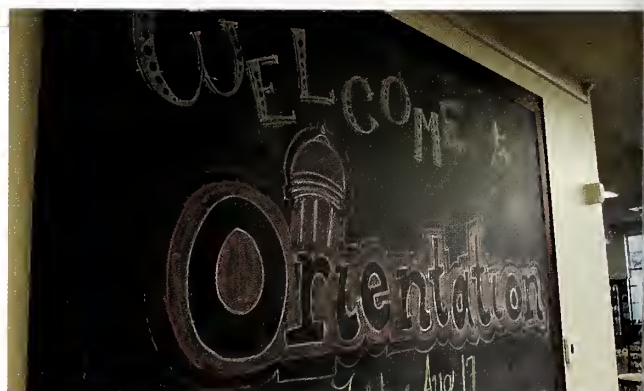
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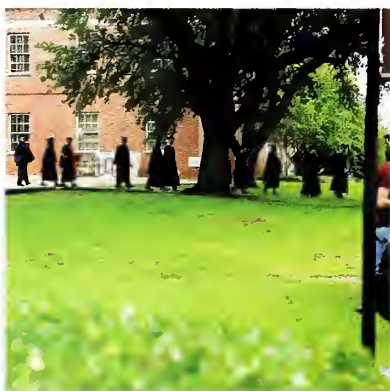


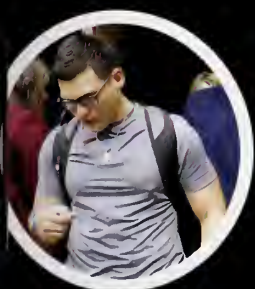
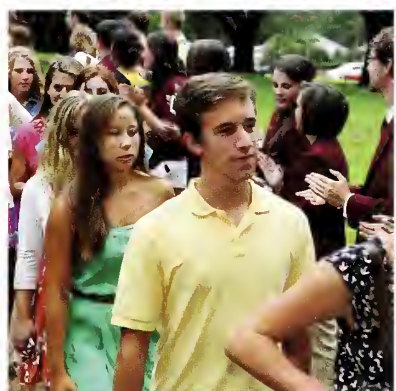
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PRESIDENT'S CONVOCATION





IT'S FALL, Y'ALL!





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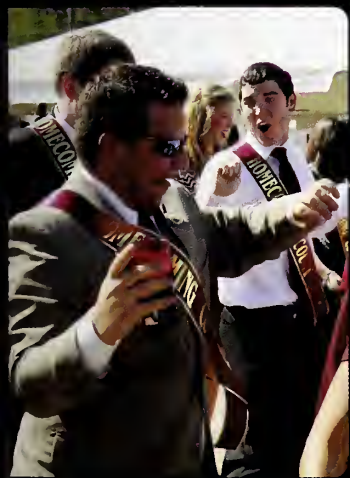
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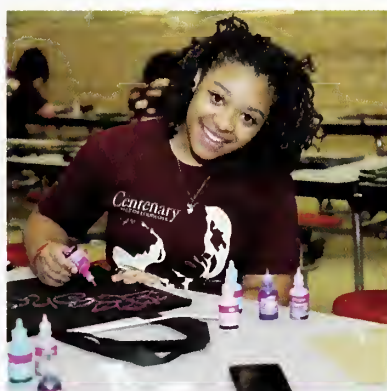
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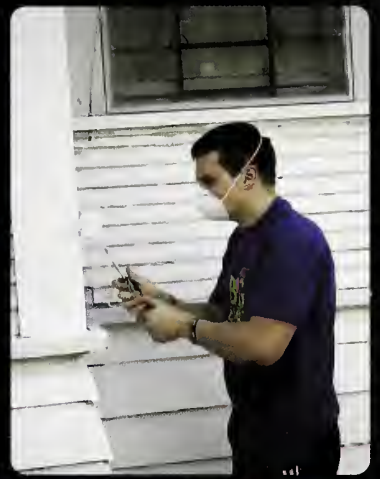
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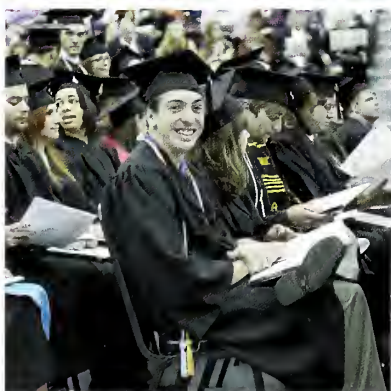
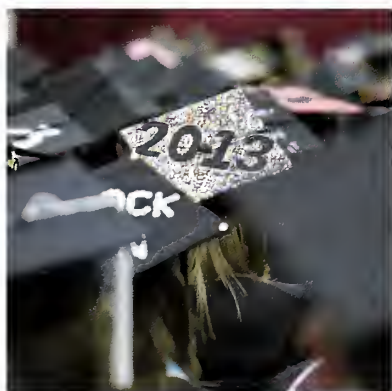
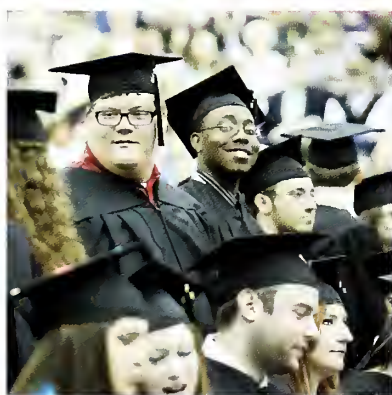


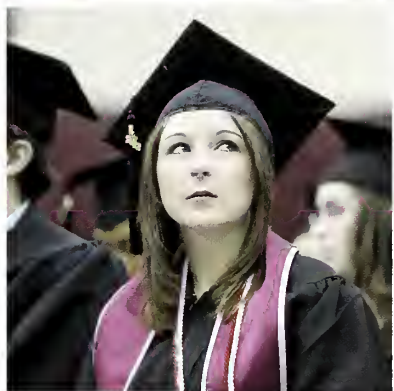
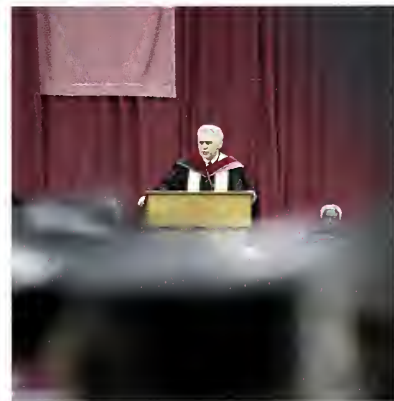
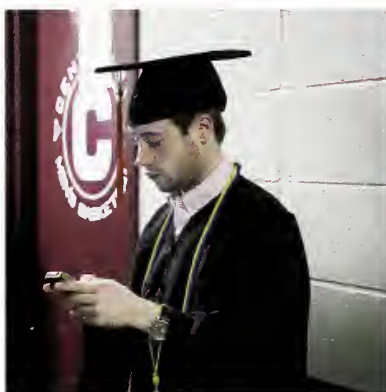
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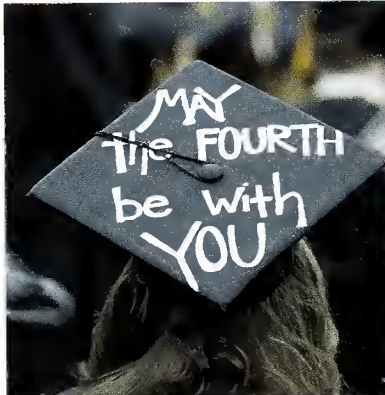


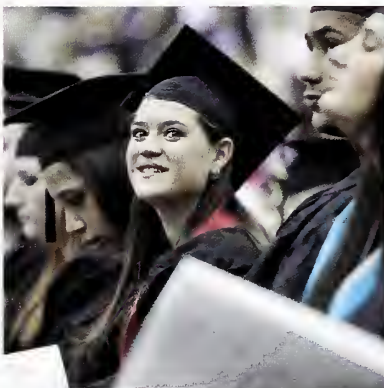
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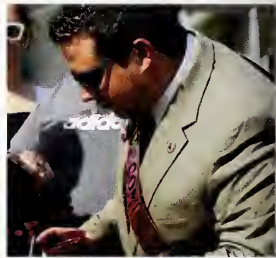




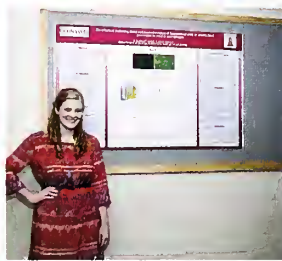
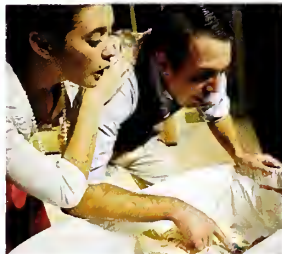
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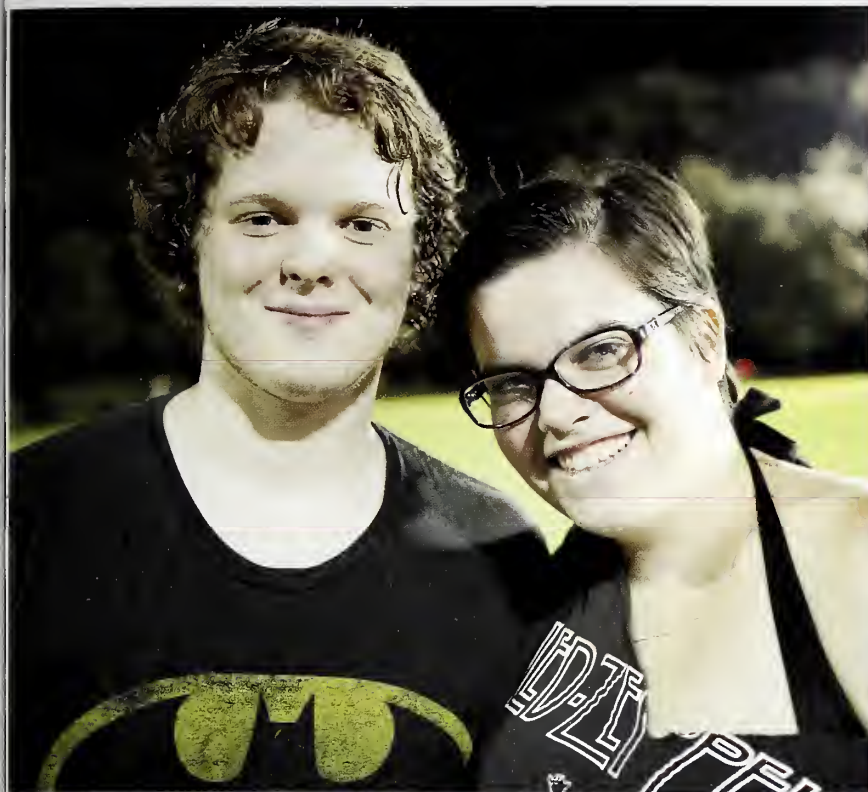




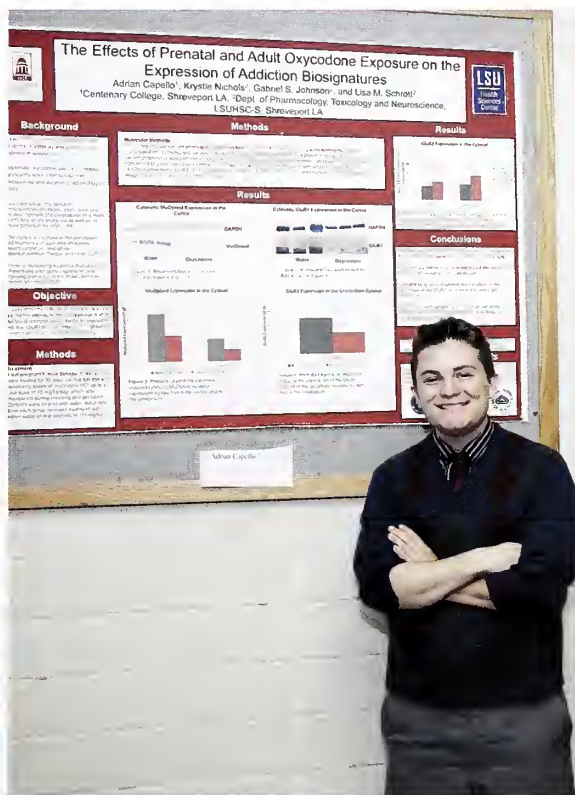


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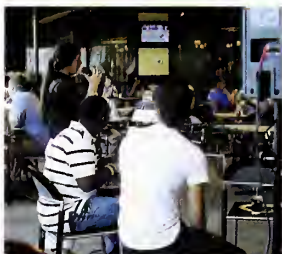
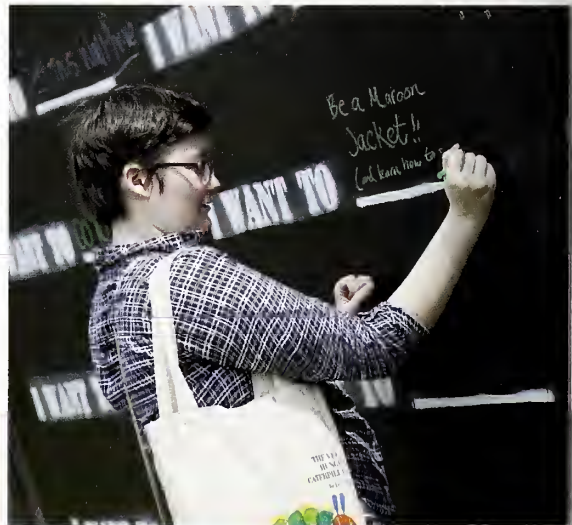
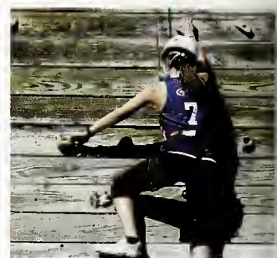
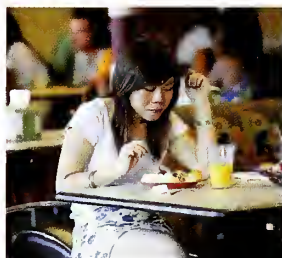


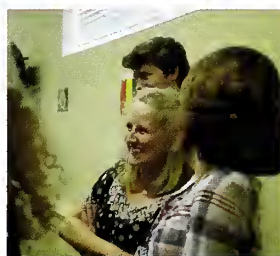
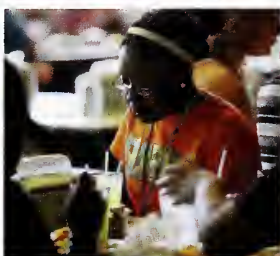


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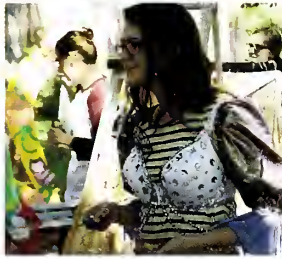


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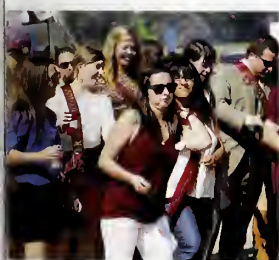
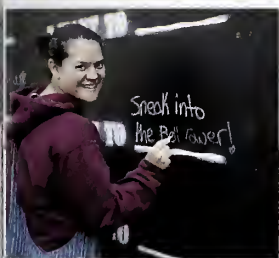


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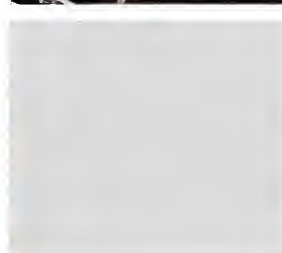
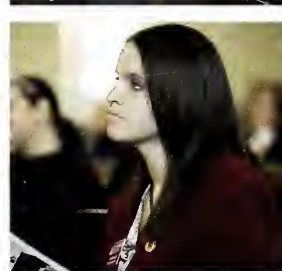
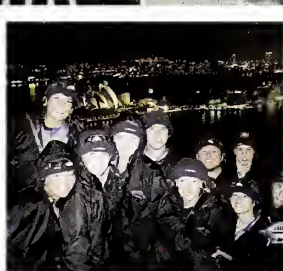
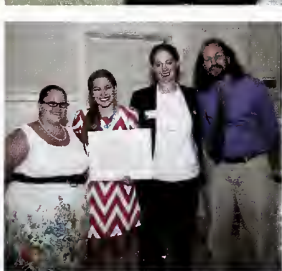
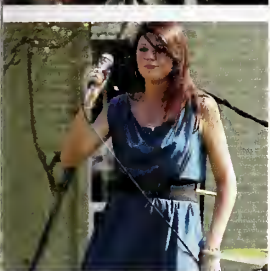
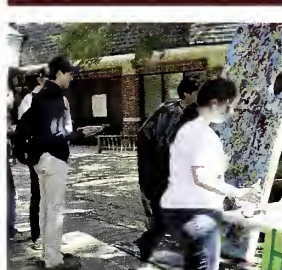
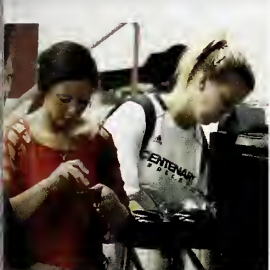
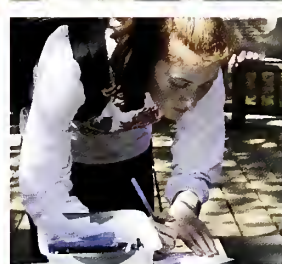
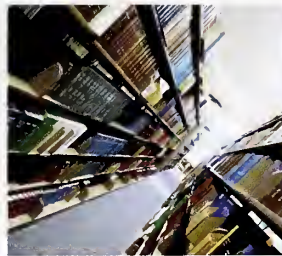
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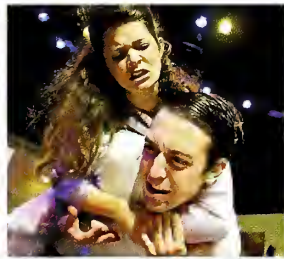


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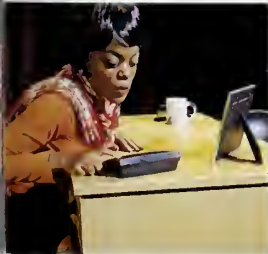
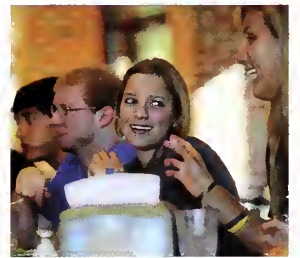
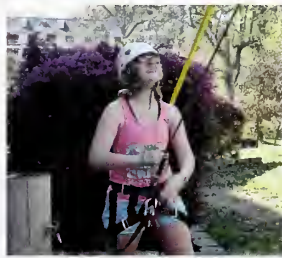
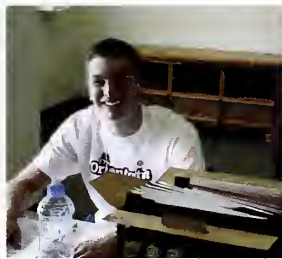
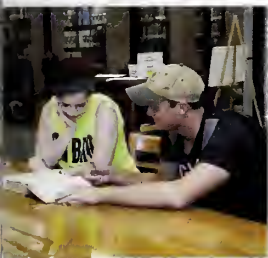




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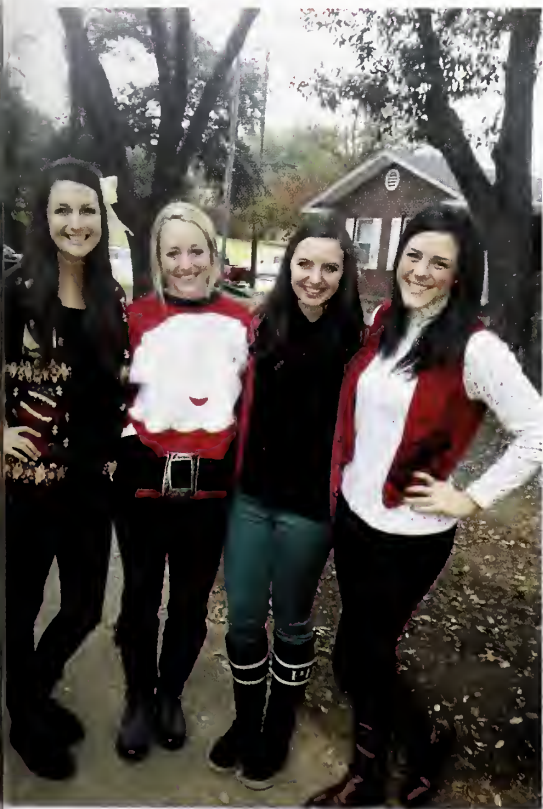






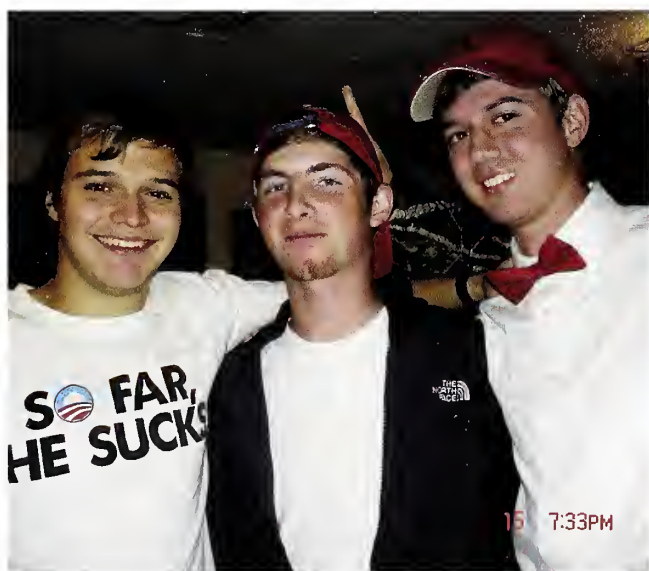
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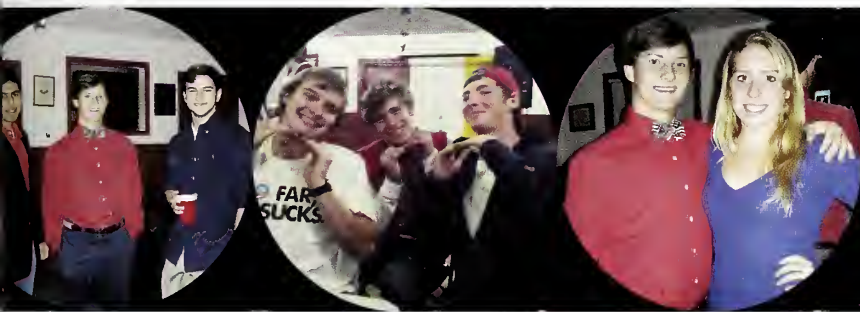






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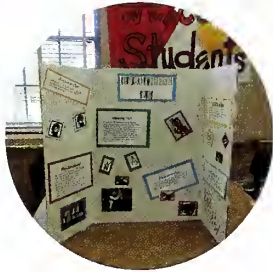




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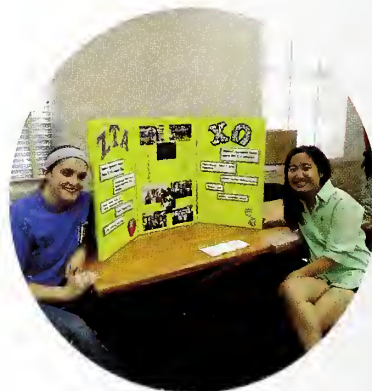
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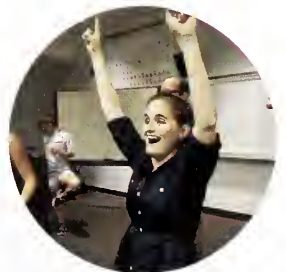
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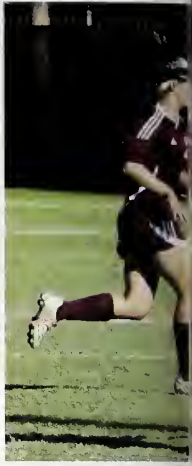
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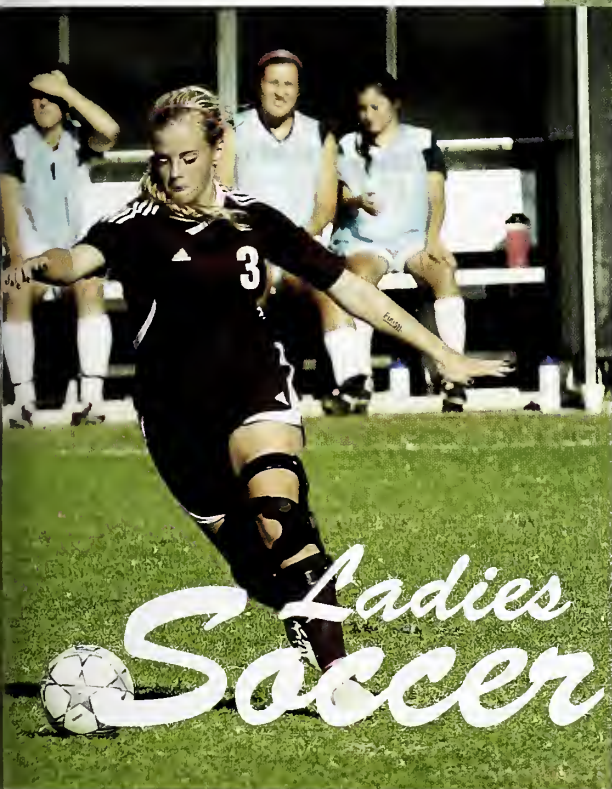


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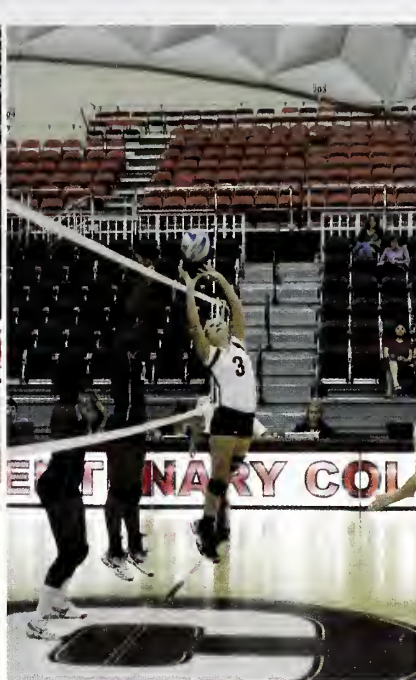


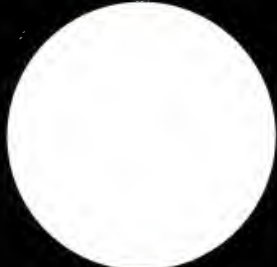


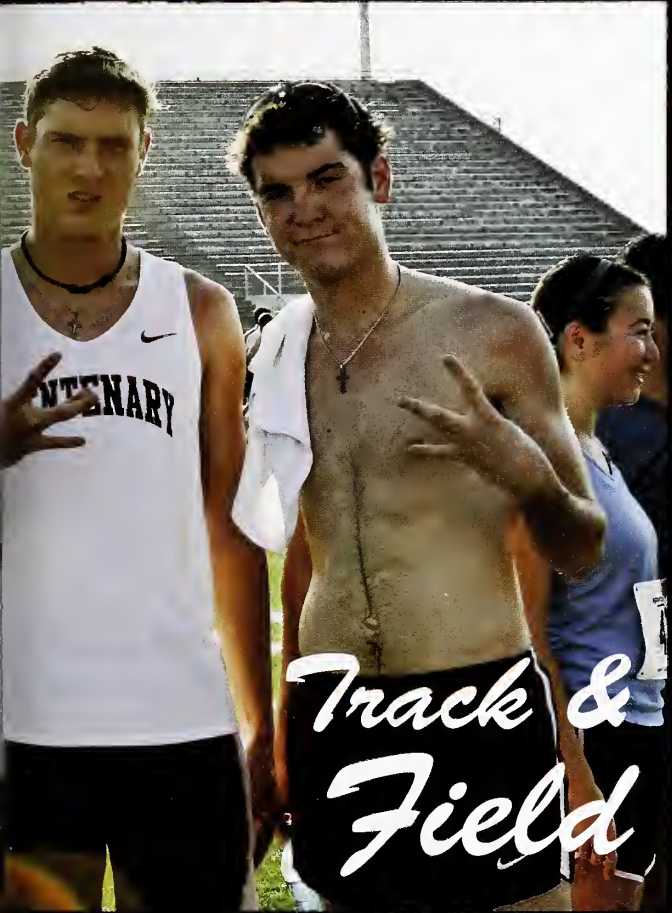


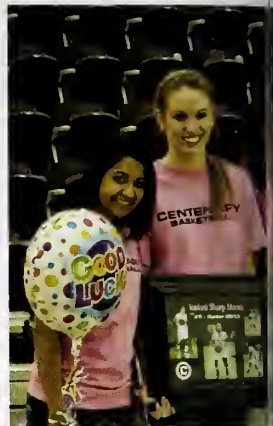




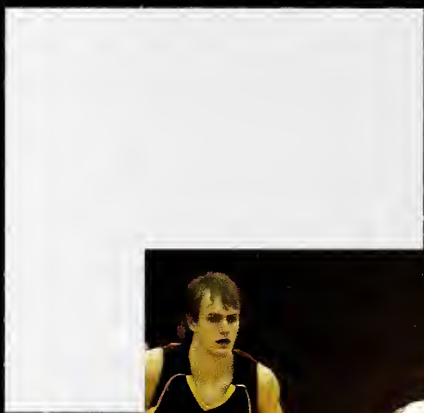


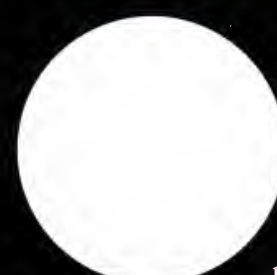
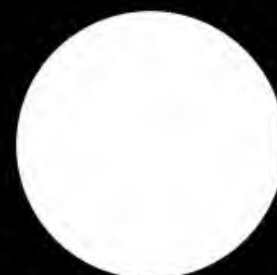




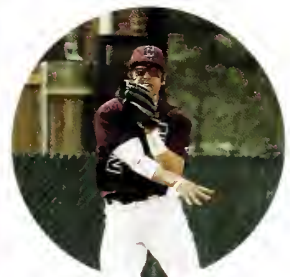
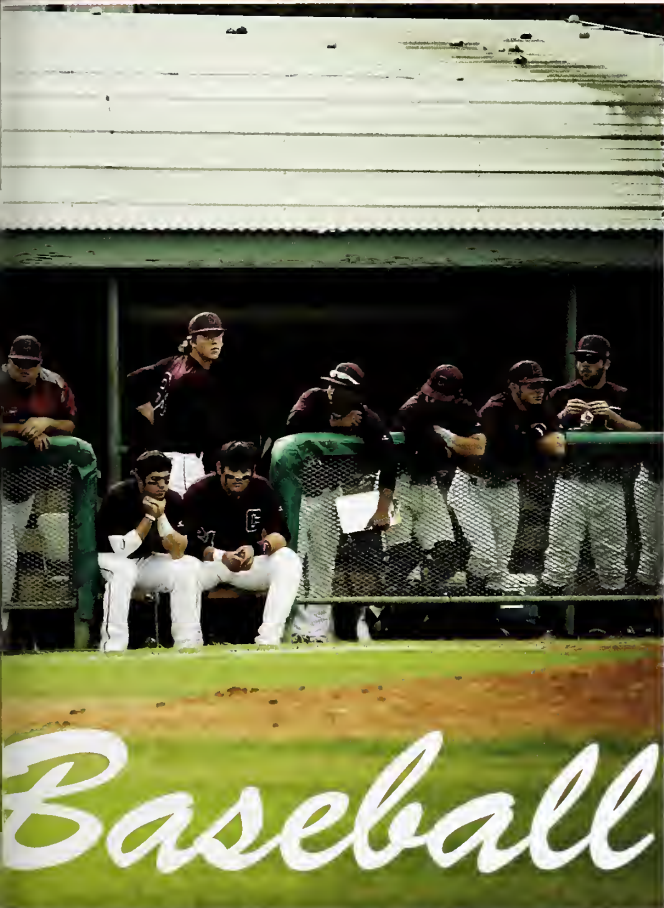








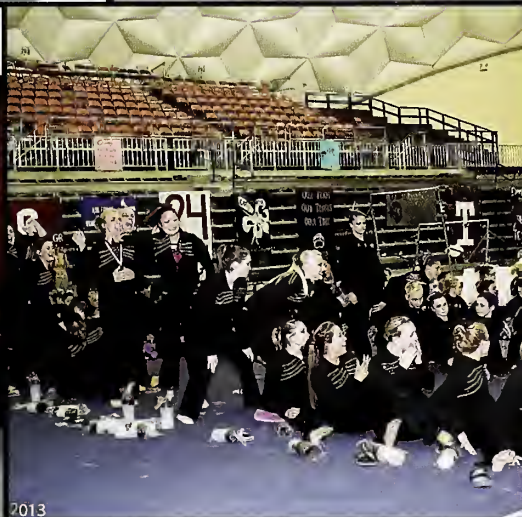




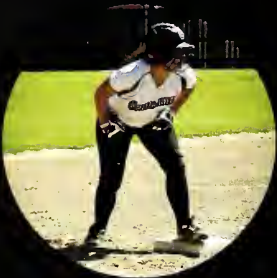


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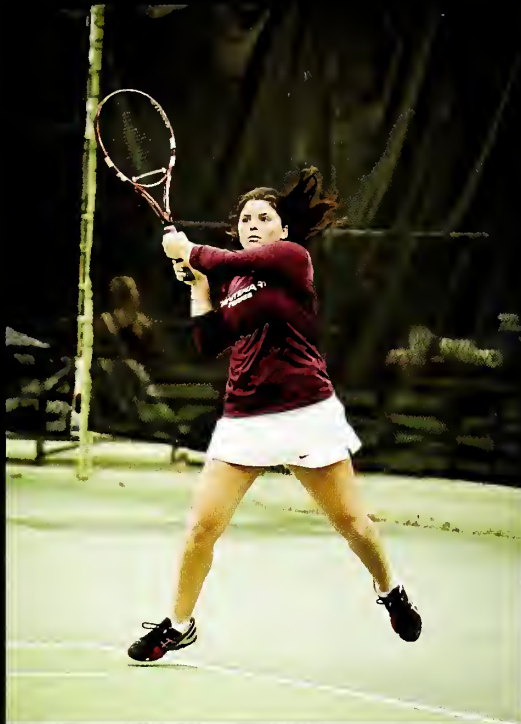




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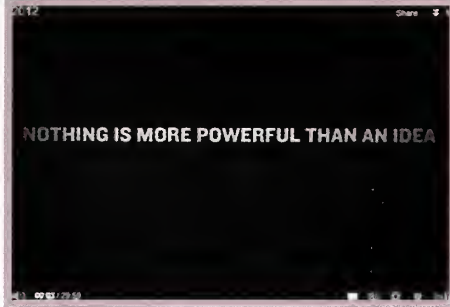
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News

North Korea Launches Rocket

The world is uneasy as North Korea launches a rocket that may have put a satellite into orbit around the Earth.



Women Senators Now Number 20

The U.S. Senate achieves a new record: 20 female senators in office, 16 Democrats and four Republicans. The new total beats the previous record by four.



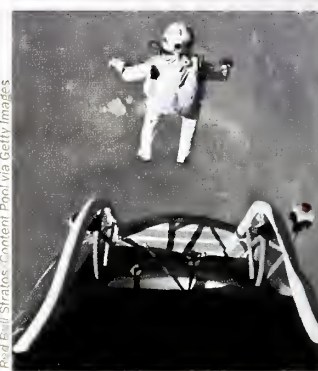
BP Agrees to Settlement

Shortly before the second anniversary of the 2010 oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico, BP reaches a settlement with thousands of businesses and individuals hurt by the spill.



Terrified Theatergoers

In Aurora, CO, actor Christian Bale and his wife Sandra Blazic visit the memorial that was created for the victims of the mass shooting that occurred during a midnight screening of *The Dark Knight Rises*.



Felix Baumgartner Takes a Leap

Skydiver Felix Baumgartner breaks a world record by jumping from a space capsule almost 24 miles above ground.



Hurricane Sandy Hits New York

Hurricane Sandy hits New York, flooding transit tunnels and prompting President Obama to sign an emergency declaration for the entire state.



New Jersey Battles Hurricane Sandy

The Jersey Shore copes with widespread flooding, power outages and property damage resulting from Hurricane Sandy.



Malala Is Teenager of the Year

Malala Yousafzai, the 15-year-old Pakistani schoolgirl shot by the Taliban because she campaigned for the education of girls, is named Teenager of the Year by *The Muslim Times*.



Mortgage Sweet Mortgage

Homebuyers benefit from favorable lending rates as the slow economy keeps home mortgage interest rates as low as 2.94 percent.



Benghazi Attack Kills Ambassador

Armed attackers kill Ambassador J. Christopher Stevens and six other Americans at the U.S. consulate in Benghazi, Libya.



Chicago Teachers Strike

After the Chicago Teachers Union fails to reach an agreement with the city, more than 26,000 teachers and staff walk off the job.



Congress Teeters on Fiscal Cliff

To postpone \$109 billion in federal budget cuts, Congress passes a compromise bill that raises taxes on the nation's wealthiest.



Morsi Becomes Egypt's President

Egypt holds a democratic presidential election, and conservative Muslim candidate Mohamed Morsi is declared the winner.



Dragon Capsule Concludes Mission

With the safe return of the SpaceX Dragon capsule, NASA successfully completes its first commercial supply mission to the International Space Station.



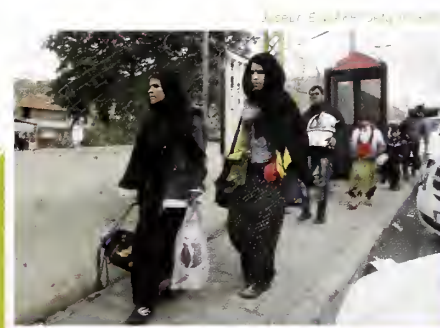
Sandy Hook Elementary Students Return to Class

Three weeks after the Sandy Hook tragedy, classes are relocated to the former Chalk Hill Middle School in nearby Monroe, CT. "Our collective strength and resilience will serve as an example to the rest of the world," tweeted the principal from Newtown High School.



Junk Food Junkies Mourn Twinkies

The troubled Hostess Brands, Inc. shuts down operations, signaling a probable end for the once-popular Twinkies snack cake.



UN Aid for Syrian Refugees

The United Nations launches a \$1.5 billion aid effort to bring food, clothing, shelter and medical supplies to Syrians fleeing more than two years of war.

Election

Vice Presidential Candidates Debate

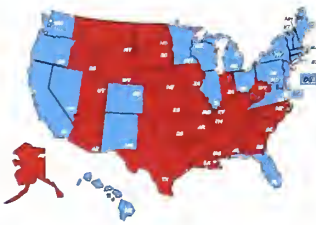
Vice President Joe Biden and Republican vice presidential candidate Paul Ryan debate a wide range of issues in Danville, KY.



First Family Appears at DNC

President Barack Obama accepts his party's nomination and addresses the Democratic National Convention in Charlotte, NC.

Obama 332 Romney 206



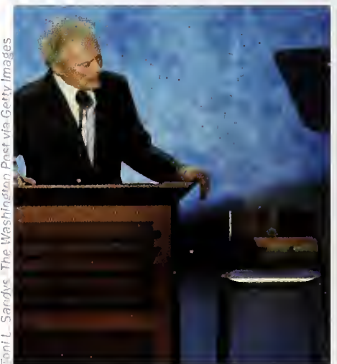
Election Map Shows Key State Wins

With a total of 332 electoral votes, Barack Obama easily exceeds the 270 electoral votes he needs to win the 2012 presidential election.



Obama and Romney Debate

President Obama faces his challenger, former Massachusetts Governor Mitt Romney, in a debate about domestic policy at the University of Denver in Denver, CO.



Clint Eastwood Acts at RNC

Onstage at the Republican National Convention in Tampa, FL, Clint Eastwood pretends that the empty chair beside him is President Obama.



Voters Face Lines at Polls

Voters in the 2012 election faced long lines at the polls across the country, especially in key battleground states such as Virginia, Ohio and Florida.



Obama Claims Victory

Despite high unemployment and a slow economic recovery, President Barack Obama wins a second term in the White House.



Nation's Capital Celebrates Inauguration

In Washington, D.C., President Obama is sworn in for his second term at a public ceremony marking the nation's 57th presidential inauguration.

Olympics

U.S. Women Win Soccer Gold

Thanks to two goals by midfielder Carli Lloyd and a critical save by goalie Hope Solo, the U.S. women's soccer team defeats Japan for the gold.



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Missy Franklin Swims to Victory

After winning four gold medals and one bronze at the Summer Games, swimmer Missy Franklin still plans to swim for her high school in Aurora, CO.



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Michael Phelps Pools His Winnings

Michael Phelps swims to his 18th gold medal and his 22nd medal in total, making him the most decorated Olympic athlete in history.



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Usain Bolt Sets Record

Jamaican Usain Bolt wins the 100-meter event in 9.63 seconds, setting a new Olympic record and cementing his reputation as the fastest man on Earth.



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U.S. Defends Men's Basketball Title

The U.S. men's basketball team, led by NBA star LeBron James, defends their Olympic gold title by defeating Spain 107-100.



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Allyson Felix Runs for Gold

Sprinter Allyson Felix wins the Women's 200-meter final. It is one of three gold medals she takes home from the Summer Games.



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Oscar Pistorius Wins on Artificial Legs

South African sprinter Oscar Pistorius is the first double-leg amputee to compete in the Olympics. He took home two gold medals and a silver.



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Misty May-Treanor and Kerri Walsh Jennings Are Golden

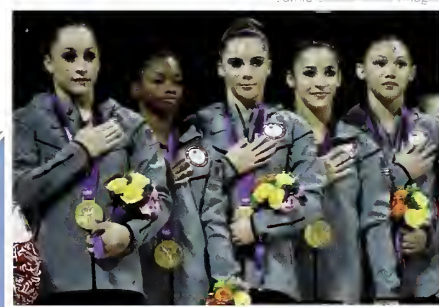
The U.S. beach volleyball team of Misty May-Treanor and Kerri Walsh Jennings win their third consecutive gold medal.



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Paralympic Games Welcome More Athletes

For the first time in 12 years, people with intellectual challenges are invited to compete at the Paralympic Games for physical and intellectual disabilities.



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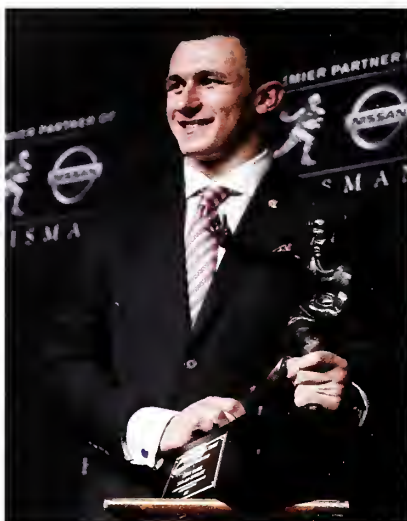
Fab Five Grab Gymnastics Gold

The "Fab Five" (also known as the "Fierce Five") of the U.S. women's gymnastics team win the gold for the women's team competition.

Sports

Freshman Wins Heisman

On the 40-year anniversary of freshman eligibility, the Heisman Trophy goes to the first freshman in its history, Texas A&M quarterback Johnny Manziel.



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NHL Lockout Shortens Season

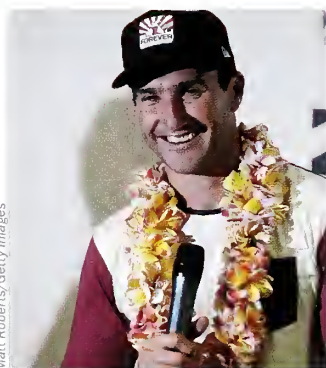
After a 113-day lockout, the National Hockey League reaches an agreement with the players' association, resulting in a compressed season.



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Timothy Bradley Unseats Pacquiao

A hotly debated, split-decision victory for U.S. welterweight Timothy Bradley ends the 15-fight winning streak of Filipino boxer Manny Pacquiao.



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Australian Surfs to Victory

Joel "Parko" Parkinson wins his first Association of Surfing Professionals world championship title and the Pipeline Masters on the same day.



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Williams Is Named ITF World Champion

For the third time, Serena Williams earns the World Champion women's prize from the International Tennis Federation.



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Golfer Rory McIlroy Wins World Title

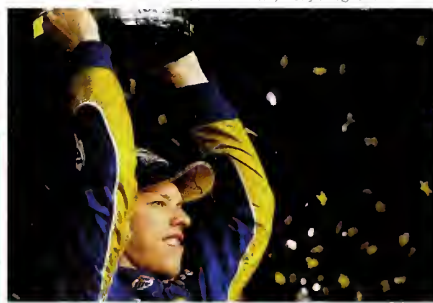
Northern Ireland's Rory McIlroy is the world's No. 1 golfer after winning the Deutsche Bank Championship and the BMW Championship.



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L.A. Kings Play It Cool

In game six of the 2012 Stanley Cup Finals, the Los Angeles Kings skate to victory, defeating the New Jersey Devils 6-1.



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Keselowski Wins NASCAR Championship

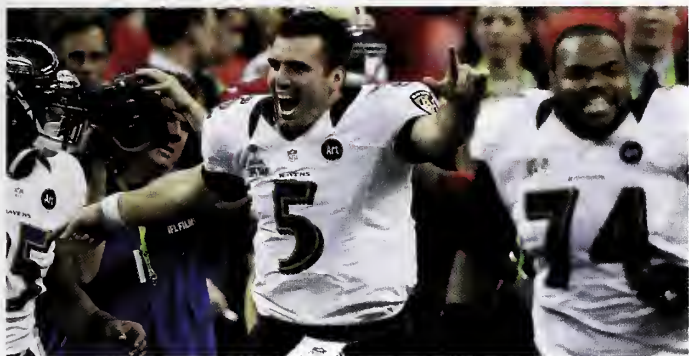
Despite finishing in 15th place in the Ford EcoBoost 400, Brad Keselowski claims the NASCAR Sprint Cup championship.



Issac Baldizon/NBAE via Getty Images

The Miami Heat Burn Up the Court

In game five of the 2012 NBA Finals, LeBron James and the Miami Heat defeat the Oklahoma City Thunder 121-106.



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Baltimore Ravens Win Super Bowl XLVII

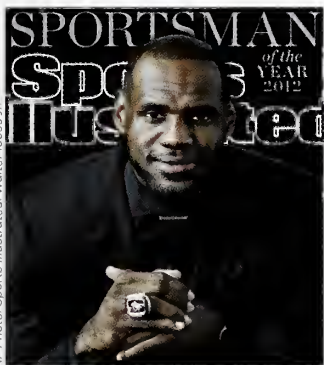
In a dramatic game interrupted by a power outage at the Superdome in New Orleans, the Ravens defeat the San Francisco 49ers 34-31.



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Indiana Fever Jinx the Lynx

The Indiana Fever defeat the defending champion Minnesota Lynx 87-78 in game four of the 2012 WNBA Finals.



AP Photo/Sports Illustrated, Walter Iacoss Jr.

LeBron Scores Another Award

Sports Illustrated names basketball superstar LeBron James of the Miami Heat their Sportsman of the Year for 2012.



Christian Pondella/Getty Images

Garrett Reynolds Rolls to Rule

In San Francisco, cyclist Garrett Reynolds takes home two Dew Cup championships for the BMX Street Cycle finals and the BMX Streetstyle competition.



Jill Press/AFP/Getty Images

Stacy Lewis Is Queen of the Greens

U.S. professional golfer Stacy Lewis wins four LPGA titles, the most on the year's tour, and is named the LPGA Player of the Year.



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World Series

The San Francisco Giants defeat the Detroit Tigers 4-3 in the 10th inning of game four to win the World Series in a sweep.



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Paul Rodriguez Beats the Street

Paul Rodriguez (aka P-Rod) captures the gold in the Men's Skateboard Street final at X Games 18 in Los Angeles.



Don Emmert/AFP/Getty Images

Andy Murray Serves Up a Winner

After losing four major finals, Scotland's Andy Murray wins the U.S. Open Men's Singles Championship by defeating defending champion Novak Djokovic.

Music

Blake Shelton and Miranda Lambert Win Awards

At the 46th annual CMA awards, married couple Blake Shelton and Miranda Lambert take home the year's highest honors in country music.



Sara Kaurss, ABC via Getty Images



Frederick Breddon IV, Fun, Inc.

fun. Releases Second Single

After the success of last year's "We Are Young," fun. has high hopes for its latest single, "Some Nights."



Justin S. Sizemore

AMA Calls Carly

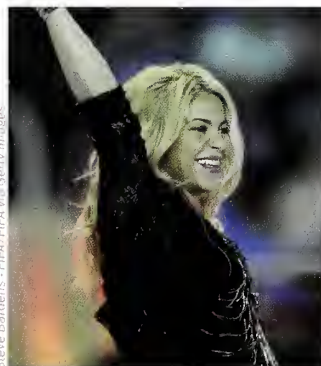
Carly Rae, whose song "Call Me Maybe" is a surprise hit, is named New Artist of the Year by the American Music Awards.



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Ocean Considers Fiction

Breakout music star Frank Ocean tells an interviewer that he might write a novel because he enjoys the storytelling aspect of music.



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Shakira Wins AMA Award

Colombia's global pop star Shakira wins her fourth AMA statuette, bringing home the award for Favorite Latin Artist.



George Pimentel, WireImage

PSY Is Most Watched

With more than 854 million hits, the viral video of "Gangnam Style" by Korean pop star PSY becomes the most-watched YouTube video of all time.



Rick L. Johnson via Invision

Two Grammy Nominations Go to Newcomers

The Lumineers, a folk-rock band from Denver, receive Grammy nominations for Best New Artist and Best Americana Album.



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Pop Fans Love One Direction

After appearing at the Summer Olympics, the popular English-Irish boy band One Direction releases its second album, *Take Me Home*.



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Bryan Emerges as Rising Country Star

Singer-songwriter Luke Bryan's singles, like "Kiss Tomorrow Goodbye," are climbing the pop and country charts.



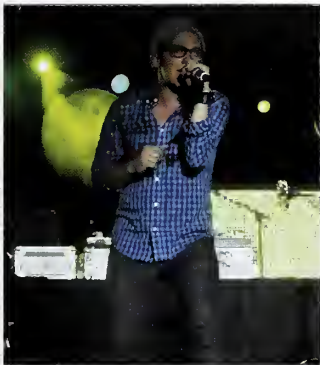
It's Nicki Versus Mariah in "Idol" Feud

Dueling American Idol judges Nicki Minaj and Mariah Carey swap insults and threats on camera and via Twitter.



Taylor Swift Achieves a Record

With the release of *Red*, her fourth studio album, Taylor Swift is the first female artist to release two albums with sales of \$1 million.



TobyMac Inspires AMA

The American Music Awards choose TobyMac as the year's Favorite Contemporary/Inspirational Artist.

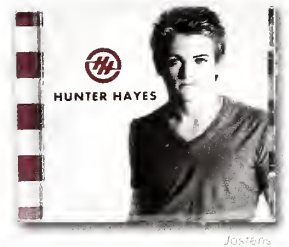
Pink Enjoys a Career First

After 12 years in the music business, Pink finally achieves a No. 1 album with the success of her newest release, *The Truth About Love*.



Rapper Supports Veterans

Flo Rida contributes his talents to the "Got Your Six" campaign, which helps combat veterans return to civilian life.



CMA Celebrates Hayes

At age 21, Louisiana native and multi-instrumentalist country star Hunter Hayes is named Best New Artist at the CMA Awards.



Bieber Makes Headlines at AMA

Justin Bieber duets with Nicki Minaj, brings his mom up on stage and gets a kiss from Jenny McCarthy at the American Music Awards.

NEEDTOBREATHE Wins Dove Award

The South Carolina Christian music band NEEDTOBREATHE wins the Dove Award for Group of the Year.

Viewers Sing Cassadee's Praises

Los Angeles-based solo artist Cassadee Pope garners the most viewer votes and becomes the first female winner of *The Voice*.

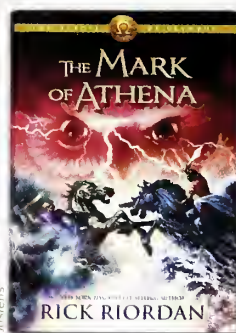
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iPad Mini™ Debuts

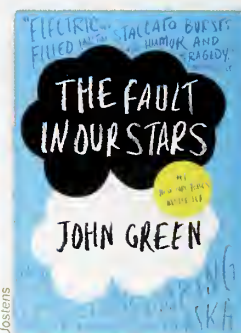
Shortly before the holiday shopping season begins, Apple launches the iPad mini, a small tablet computer.



Jostens

Readers Hail Return of Teen Demigods

Novelist Rick Riordan publishes *The Mark of Athena*, the third book in his popular series, *The Heroes of Olympus*.



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Teen with Cancer Narrates Novel

The Fault in Our Stars is a fiction bestseller about a romance between teens who meet in a cancer support group.



Jostens

Electronic Gamers Cheer FIFA Soccer 13

The latest version of the popular game allows players to analyze plays and create new offensive opportunities.



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Nintendo Opens Virtual Theme Park

Gamers and their Mii™ characters explore NintendoLand, a virtual theme park featuring attractions based on Nintendo game worlds.



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Boom Cube Turns Up the Volume

The powerful, miniature Boom Cube™ speaker hangs from a keychain and sets your MP3 tunes free from your earbuds.



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Jump Up and Just Dance 4

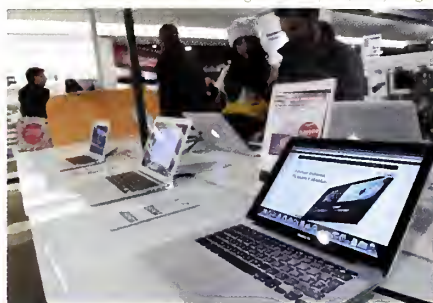
Just Dance® 4 is the latest version of the chart-topping dance game, featuring new songs, new workouts and six rounds of dance-off battles.



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Gamers Welcome Wii U™

Nintendo releases its new Wii U game console, which features high-definition graphics, an embedded touchscreen and up to 32 GB of Flash storage.



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Consumers Consider New High-Resolution MacBook®

Apple's 13-inch MacBook Pro® with Retina display features a stunning, high-resolution screen and an equally stunning \$1,700 price tag.



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Furby™ Talks Back

The fuzzy Furby toy returns, with sophisticated technology that allows this chatty, lovable toy to learn to tell jokes and play games.

Television



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Teens Discover Their True Identities

Switched at Birth is a popular television drama on ABC Family about two girls, one rich and one poor, who learn they were switched as infants.



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New Girl Comes Back for More

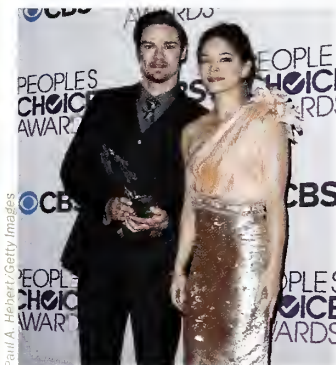
Jess (Zooey Deschanel), Nick, Schmidt, Winston and Cece return for a second season of *New Girl* on FOX.



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Viewers Flock to Rags-to-Riches Reality Show

Duck Dynasty on A&E introduces the eccentric Robertson clan, which made its millions by making and selling duck calls.



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Beastly Drama Is People's Choice

Beauty & The Beast, a drama about a homicide detective with a puzzling and tragic past, wins the People's Choice award for Best New TV Drama.



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Learning Step by Step

A former ballerina turned Las Vegas showgirl must start a new life as a small town dance teacher in *Bunheads* on ABC Family.



Honey Boo Boo Makes the Most Fascinating List

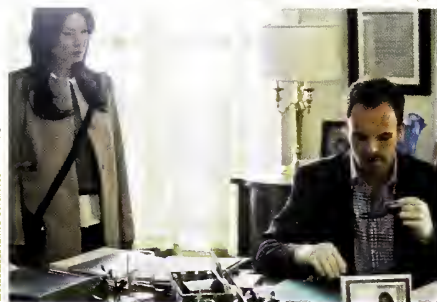
Seven-year-old reality star Aiana Thompson, better known as "Honey Boo Boo," makes Barbara Walters' list of the year's most fascinating people.



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Bigfoot Remains at Large

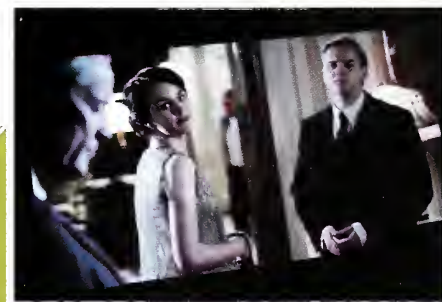
Finding Bigfoot is a reality program that follows investigators as they search the wilderness for evidence that Bigfoot is real.



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An Eccentric English Sleuth Comes to New York

Jonny Lee Miller's *Sherlock* solves cases in New York, with help from Lucy Liu's Dr. Joan Watson in *Elementary*, a new CBS drama.



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American Audiences Love English Costume Drama

The eagerly awaited third season of *Downton Abbey* on PBS features a guest appearance by Shirley MacLaine as a wealthy American mother-in-law.

Movies

The People Choose Jennifer Lawrence

Jennifer Lawrence, star of *The Hunger Games* series and *Silver Linings Playbook*, wins the Favorite Movie Actress award in the People's Choice Awards.



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James Stars in Here Comes the Boom

Kevin James stars as a burned-out biology teacher turned mixed martial arts hero in the feature film *Here Comes the Boom*.



AP/Wide World

Downey Dons Hero Suit a Third Time

Robert Downey Jr. returns as Tony Stark to face new enemies and overcome new challenges in *Iron Man 3*.



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A Wizard Finds His Way

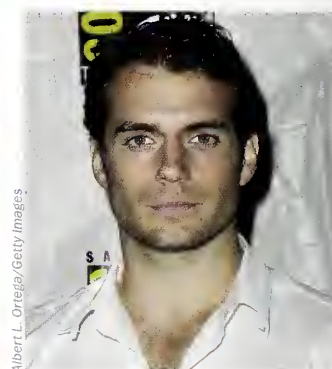
In *Oz: The Great and Powerful*, James Franco stars as a small-time magician who is transported to the Land of Oz.



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Caveman Family Discovers the World

Ryan Reynolds and Emma Stone lend their voices to *The Croods*, a 3D computer-animated comedy adventure about the world's first family.



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How Superman Began

Henry Cavill stars as Clark Kent, a journalist who is baffled by his superhuman powers. He finds his life's purpose when evil invaders attack the world in *Man of Steel*.



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Bond Breaks a Record

Skyfall, starring Daniel Craig as Agent 007, makes \$87.8 million in its first weekend, the most successful opening of any Bond film.



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Heroes Unite in Rise of the Guardians

Fans of fantasy flicks head to the theaters for *Rise of the Guardians*, a 3D animated film from DreamWorks Animation based on the popular book series.



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Grandparents Need Guidance

Bette Midler and Billy Crystal star as traditional grandparents who are baffled by their grandkids in *Parental Guidance*.



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Wallflower Blooms on Big Screen

The Perks of Being a Wallflower, adapted from the book of the same title, tells the story of a shy high school freshman and his quirky friends.



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Breaking Dawn Breaks Box Office Records

The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn — Part 2, the finale to the vampire romance series, is No. 1 at the box office for three weeks in a row.



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Downey Is a Fan Favorite

Voters for the People's Choice Awards choose *Iron Man* star Robert Downey, Jr. as the year's Favorite Movie Actor.



Touchstone Pictures, Courtesy Everett Collection

A President Earns His Place in History

Lincoln, a historical drama based on an award-winning biography, depicts the last four months of the legendary president's life.



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College Singers Perfect Their Pitch

In *Pitch Perfect*, Anna Kendrick stars as a college student who inspires a mismatched a cappella singing group to achieve hilarity and harmony.



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Soundtrack Album Tops Charts

The movie soundtrack for *Les Misérables*, featuring performances by Anne Hathaway and Amanda Seyfried, reaches the No. 1 spot on the Billboard 200 chart.



Jeff Kravitz/FilmMagic

Fans Root for Wreck-It Ralph

In the animated feature film *Wreck-It Ralph*, an arcade game character wants to be a hero instead of a bad guy, but his well-intentioned plans go haywire.



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It's a Wonderful Life of Pi

Nineteen-year-old Suraj Sharma stars in the movie adaptation of *Life of Pi*, about a teenager and a Bengal tiger who survive a shipwreck.



Warner Bros. Pictures, Courtesy Everett Collection

Bilbo Baggins Journeys to Theaters

The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey is the first of three films adapted from J.R.R. Tolkien's novel about a reluctant adventurer in Middle Earth.

Trends

Minis Are Major

Little dresses and short skirts go over jeans and leggings by day. At night, they go solo for dances and dates.



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LED Headlights Turn Heads

Drivers who love making their cars stand out on the street add LED headlight strips to create colorful, futuristic effects.

YOLO

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"YOLO" Is Favorite Catchphrase

Rapper Drake and actor Zac Efron popularize YOLO, an acronym standing for "you only live once." *Time* magazine names it one of the year's top buzzwords.

Cowboy Boots Are Cool Again

Western style makes a comeback on runways and campuses. Classic cowboy boots are paired with short skirts or cropped pants.



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Trends Point to Nail Art

Adhesive nail-art kits make outrageous manicures easy and affordable. Options include animal patterns, stripes, polka dots, images and more.



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Color Sneaks onto Sneakers

Basic footwear takes a back seat as brightly colored and patterned high-tops and athletic shoes emerge as must-have accessories for school and weekend style.



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Tees Get the Message Out

The graphic tee trend becomes a personal expression obsession. Shirts feature favorite lyrics, Internet memes, irreverent graphics and witty jokes.



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Taco Bell Considers More Doritos® Dishes

After the success of Taco Bell's Doritos Locos Taco, the fast food chain drops hints that a new Cool Ranch version is coming next.



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Infinity Scarf Is Endless Trend

The must-have neckwear accessory is the circular infinity scarf, which loops around the neck to add color, texture and warmth.



Baseball Caps Are Tops with Girls

The flat-brim baseball cap trend is popularized by celebrities like Rihanna. The casual style is perfect for hiding from the paparazzi.



Backpacks Are Global Chic

Boring backpacks take a back seat to colorful patterns inspired by traditional graphic motifs from around the world.



Hoodies Are Hot

For every guy, there's a hoodie: athletic hoodies for jocks, rock band hoodies for fans and humorous hoodies for class clowns.



It's a Plaid, Plaid World

Fashionistas go mad for plaid. The trend starts on designer runways and quickly makes its way to fashion outlets in malls and online.



Duct Tape Inspires Creative Types

Crafty tweens and teens use tough, colorful duct tape to make purses, wallets, decorations, jewelry, fashion accessories and even formal wear.

JUST SAYIN'

Adults Find Expression Annoying

Teens use "Just sayin'" to minimize an expression of criticism or sarcasm. The phrase ranks highly on a Marist Poll surveying the most irritating words and phrases.



Footwear Moonlights as Basketball Coach

Sensors in the soles of Nike+ Basketball shoes track the wearer's every move and sync stats to the player's iPhone.



Jeans Are Anything but Blue

Traditional blues are timeless classics but the newest skinny denims feature bold colors, feminine prints and modern patterns.



Glitter Gets a Foot in Fashion's Door

The trend for "glitter shoes," featuring sequins and sparkles, includes glue-it-yourself sneakers, sky-high designer platforms and everything in between.

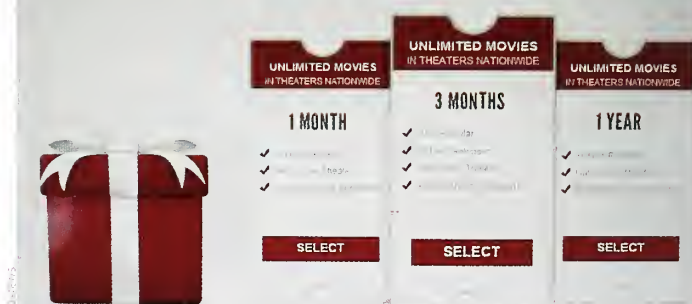
Lifestyle

Instagram Is Tops with Teens

Facebook snaps up Instagram and its 80 million users. The social media site clicks with teens, ranking as the top photography destination among ages 12 to 17.



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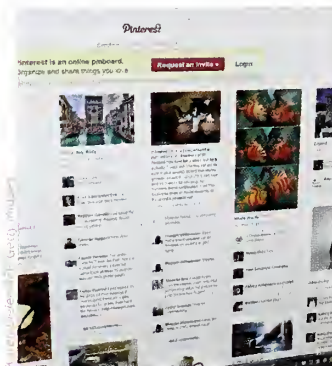
Nike Motivates with Fuelband

Nike has launched a new tool called Nike+ Fuelband™. This technology tool lets users know how active they are and reminds them to achieve their fitness goals.



Pop Is Personal with New Coke Machine

The Freestyle Coke machine lets customers mix their own flavor combinations from more than 100 choices.



Pinterest Attracts Interest

Pinterest is a social media phenomenon. Users "pin" images and share virtual bulletin boards about fashion, food, travel and sports.



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